

WACD Awards Guidelines & Rules

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WACD Sponsored Awards

The Washington Association of Conservation Districts presents the following awards as appropriate each year at the Association's Annual Meeting.

- ♦ Washington Conservation District of the Year
- ♦ Eugene Schloz Memorial Award
- ♦ Wayne Reid "Young Tiger" Award
- ♦ Special Service Award
- ♦ Professional Service Award
- ♦ Applied Conservation Award
- ♦ Vim Wright "Building Bridges" Award
- ♦ Wildlife Farmer of the Year Award
- ♦ Wildlife Steward of the Year Award
- ♦ Elementary Teacher of the Year Award
- ♦ Secondary Teacher of the Year Award

In addition, the WACD Officers and Directors may bestow other awards, special recognitions, and commendations as they deem appropriate and necessary. The WACD Officers and Directors shall retain the authority to amend the list of awards given or to stop the awards program at any time. Beginning in 2003 WACD shall reinstate the District of the Year award program.

If any award goes two consecutive years without any nominations submitted the award will be removed from the list of awards WACD regularly sponsors. The WACD Officers and Directors may add the award back onto the list with a majority vote.

Awards program rules

Rules should be general enough in nature that they can apply to all of the awards. This will provide nominators with consistency and clarity which will contribute greatly towards increasing quality nominations. Careful consideration should be given by the WACD Officers and Directors in choosing the program rules because of the potential impact on quality and number of nominations. The eleven basic rules for the WACD Awards program are found in **Attachment A**.

Nomination timeline for each award

Each award timeline is detailed below. The awards should be due in a staggered format over a period of three months. This provides Districts with the opportunity to more easily submit multiple nominations and allows the ranking committee a more relaxed review period if many nominations are submitted for a single award. The

nomination forms for the WACD awards can be found in **Attachment B** of this document.

Award	Due last working day of the month
♦ Teacher of the Year – Elementary	July
♦ Teacher of the Year – Secondary	July
♦ Applied Conservation Award	July
♦ Wildlife Farmer and Wildlife Steward of the Year Award	July
♦ Professional Service Award	August
♦ Wayne Reid “Young Tiger” Award	August
♦ Special Service Award	August
♦ Eugene Scholz Memorial Award	September
♦ District of the Year	September
♦ Vim Wright “Building Bridges” Award	September

Selection Criteria and Ranking Process for Each Award

The selection criteria for all of the awards should be set prior to requesting nomination submissions and should help the nominator best describe the contributions of the nominee. The current nomination ranking forms are included as **Attachment C** to this document.

Part of the selection criteria should focus on being specific with regard to who is eligible to receive the various awards. To this end eligibility criteria for the WACD awards are established as follows:

Award	Who’s Eligible?
Eugene Scholz Memorial Award	Active district supervisors and associate supervisors who have made an especially valuable contribution to district conservation programs or to the state conservation movement.
Special Service Award	Anyone who has provided voluntary labor on District sponsored projects including supervisors and associate supervisors who have made an outstanding achievement and contribution in the field of conservation.
Professional Service Award	Any paid district, WACD, Commission, or cooperating agency, non-governmental organization employee who in their professional field has contributed outstanding accomplishments to the State’s conservation program.

Award	Who's Eligible?
Wayne Reid "Young Tiger" Award	Any district supervisor or associate supervisor who has served as a supervisor or associate supervisor for 6 years or less at the time of nomination and has made an extraordinary effort to assist their district to meet its goals and objectives in a short period of time.
Applied Conservation Award	Any person (volunteer or paid) that has made a significant contribution to the improved management of a major resource which can be expected to result in a permanent increase in protection of that resource; has served in the affected community for a period of not less than four years; and has a good working relationship with the conservation district board and cooperator agencies (i.e. Cooperative Extension, NRCS, FSA, WDF&W, etc.)
Teacher of the Year – Elementary	Any paid and Washington State licensed teacher that instructs children in grades K-6 in a public or private school.
Teacher of the Year – Secondary	Any paid and Washington State licensed teacher that instructs children in grades 7-12 in a public or private school.
Wildlife Farmer of the Year	Any conservation district cooperator who enhances wildlife habitat on their commercial farm and/or forest of 50 acres or greater in size.
Wildlife Steward of the Year	Any conservation district cooperator who enhances wildlife habitat on their commercial or non-commercial farm and/or forest smaller than 50 acres in size.
District of the Year	All Conservation Districts in the state of Washington that are members of the Washington Association of Conservation Districts.
Vim Wright "Building Bridges" Award	Any person who has worked within the arena of conservation to foster understanding, partnerships, and greater conservation through collaboration.

Ranking and selection process

The ranking of nominations is dependent upon having a knowledgeable awards committee. The WACD Officers and Directors should create a standing Awards Committee starting in 2004

Representation should primarily be active supervisors and/or associate supervisors with representatives from WADE, NRCS, and WSCC as deemed appropriate by the WACD Officers and Directors. The Awards Committee should consist of exactly seven (7) members for easier accounting of award scores.

Each committee member will get a copy of every nomination. The one exception to this rule is that a committee member will not receive a copy of a nomination that is submitted nominating them for an award. Committee members will be given a timeframe in which to rank the nominations using the criteria and ranking forms included in these rules and return the results to the Committee Chair.

The Chair shall delete the highest and lowest scores for each nomination then add the remainder of the scores for each nominee. This summed score shall be the score for the nominee. In the event that one of the committee members is nominated the Chair shall throw out the highest score only and total the remaining scores. That summed score shall be the score for nominees in this situation.

In the event of a tie the Chair shall recalculate the scores of the nominations that tied for first place this time including the highest score only. If this does not break the tie the committee shall have the choice of re-ranking the tied nominees or awarding two awards.

The committee members shall not disclose the names of the nominees to anyone so surprise may be kept. The Committee Chair shall work with WACD staff to get plaques and other awards ordered in a timely manner that allows the names of the winners to remain secret and allow the awards to be available for distribution at the WACD Annual Meeting. The Committee Chair or designee shall make necessary contacts to ensure winners are present at the appropriate Awards Ceremony.

Presentation of Awards

All WACD awards shall be presented to the selected nominees at the WACD Annual Meeting. The awards presentations should be split between the Monday Awards Luncheon and the Tuesday Awards Banquet. This was the format used during the 2002 and 2003 Annual Meetings and it met a favorable response. It is suggested that District of the Year, Eugene Schloz Memorial, Wayne Reid "Young Tiger", Special Service, Professional Service, Applied Conservation, and Vim Wright "Building Bridges" awards be presented at the Tuesday Awards Banquet. The rest of the WACD Awards and all other cooperating entity awards (i.e. NRCS) should be presented during the Monday Awards Luncheon.

Each of the winning nominees shall receive at a minimum a plaque for their accomplishment. However, depending upon the budget approved by the WACD Officers and Directors for the awards program the selected nominees may receive other styles of plaques or awards for their accomplishments. Every person who is nominated for an award shall receive a letter signed by the WACD President thanking them for their commitment to conservation and efforts to make Washington State a better place.

Appendix A – WACD Award Program Rules

WACD Awards Program – General Rules & Guidelines

- 1. Anyone can nominate an eligible person or group for these awards. A person may also complete and submit more than one nomination each year. No self nominations allowed, except in the case of District of the Year.**
- 2. Review the nomination forms for each of the WACD awards to determine who is eligible to receive the various awards. Nominators are strongly encouraged to write the primary letter of support in a manner that directly answers the judging criteria shown on the ranking forms.**
- 3. Nominations must consist of the nomination form and at least one letter of support but no more than three letters of support.**
- 4. If multiple letters of support are submitted, it is strongly recommended, but not required, that they be from different entities. Anyone directly associated with the District (Board Supervisors, Associate Supervisors, employees, and their immediate families) shall constitute one entity.**
- 5. Other nomination letters may and are highly encouraged to come from cooperating agencies (i.e. NRCS, FSA, WSCC, WDF&W, local government, cooperators, etc.).**
- 6. It is the responsibility of the nominator, CD, or nominee's employer to get the nominee to the proper award ceremony at the WACD Annual Meeting. Nominees and the winner may not be notified prior to the award ceremony.**
- 7. At the discretion of the WACD Awards Committee multiple awards may be given. This may be the result of enough nominations to provide awards by categories such as type of work or due to a tie in the judging. Awards Committee decisions are final.**
- 8. At the discretion of the WACD Awards Committee no award may be given if the committee feels no applicants are qualified for the award or no nominations are received.**
- 9. Judges may use personal knowledge of nominees when considering the overall ranking of nominees.**
- 10. WACD will retroactively pay for each winner's Awards Banquet or Awards Luncheon (depending upon award won) for the year in which they receive the award. Winners will not receive a cash award if they are not present at the ceremony. Districts or groups nominated for an award shall receive no more than three meals. WACD will not pay for any other expenses of award recipients.**
- 11. Nominations are due by 4:00 PM, on the date listed on the nomination form for each award. Nominations must be submitted to, Award Committee Chair, c/o WACD Lynn Brown PMC, 16564 Bradley Road, Bow, WA 98232.**

Appendix B – WACD Award Nomination Forms



2004 ELEMENTARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to an Elementary (K-6) educator who is working for a public, parochial, or private school in Washington State. The honoree's nomination shall be submitted to the National Association of Conservation Districts for consideration at that level. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, July 30, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Describe the teacher's program for involving students in the betterment of natural resources.
 2. List and describe the areas of study incorporated in your conservation education program
 3. Describe any assistance received from community organizations or resource specialists from local, state, or federal agencies or organizations
 4. Explain how the program is being extended to other grades, other areas and to people in the community.
 5. Document how your students have applied their knowledge of natural resource conservation to individuals, groups, schools, and community projects.
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Questions: Call Craig Nelson, WACD Awards Committee Chair (509) 422-0855 or Lori McLaughlin at (360) 757-1094.



2004 SECONDARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to a Secondary (7-12) educator who is working for a public, parochial, or private school in Washington State. The honoree's nomination shall be submitted to the National Association of Conservation Districts for consideration at that level. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, July 30, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of

Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Describe the teacher's program for involving students in the betterment of natural resources.
 2. List and describe the areas of study incorporated in your conservation education program
 3. Describe any assistance received from community organizations or resource specialists from local, state, or federal agencies or organizations
 4. Explain how the program is being extended to other grades, other areas and to people in the community.
 5. Document how your students have applied their knowledge of natural resource conservation to individuals, groups, schools, and community projects.
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2004 APPLIED CONSERVATION AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to an individual who has made a significant contribution to the improved management of a major resource, which resulted in a permanent increase in the protection of that resource. This individual must serve in the affected agricultural community for a period of not less than 4 years and must have a record of good working relations with the conservation district, the conservation district board and cooperating agencies (i.e., cooperative extension, FSA, NRCS, etc.). The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, July 30, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Occupation (give title and/or brief background)
 2. Must have nomination letters from three landowners testifying to the nominee's contribution to the direct application of conservation practices to the land.
 3. Conservation achievements
 4. Personal background (birthplace, educations, career, civic activities, other awards, etc.)
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2004 PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to an employee of a conservation district, state association, state or federal agencies, on the basis of exceptional service in furthering the cause of conservation districts, strengthening the conservation partnership and contributing to the state's conservation program. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, August 31, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Occupation (give title and/or brief background)
 2. Contribution to conservation districts, state associations, state or federal agencies
 3. Personal background (birthplace, educations, career, civic activities, other awards, etc.)
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2004 WAYNE REID "YOUNG TIGER" AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to a supervisor who has jumped in with both feet and hit the ground running. The individual is someone who has really helped the district meet their goals and objectives in a short period of time. This individual must have served as a supervisor for less than 6 years. Please submit a letter of recommendation and two letters of support. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, August 31, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Occupation (give title and/or brief background)
 2. Conservation achievements
 3. Two letters of support
 4. Personal background (birthplace, educations, career, civic activities, other awards, etc.)
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Questions: Call Craig Nelson, WACD Awards Committee Chair (509) 422-0855 or Lori McLaughlin at (360) 757-1094.



2004 SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to an individual outside of the professional ranks who has made an outstanding contribution in the field of conservation. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, August 31, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Occupation (give title and/or brief background)
 2. Conservation achievements
 3. Personal background (birthplace, educations, career, civic activities, other awards, etc.)
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2004 EUGENE SCHOLZ MEMORIAL AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to an Outstanding CD Supervisor who has made an especially valuable contribution to district conservation programs or to the state conservation movement. This award is given in honor of Eugene Scholz, a supervisor with Grays Harbor Conservation District who served from February 1977 to November 1988. Gene was a dedicated individual and contributed unsparingly of his time and support to the conservation movement before his death in 1988. The purpose of this award is to publicly thank an outstanding supervisor for their help. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, September 30, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Occupation (give title and/or brief background)
 2. Conservation achievements
 3. Personal background (birthplace, educations, career, civic activities, other awards, etc.)
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Questions: Call Craig Nelson, WACD Awards Committee Chair (509) 422-0855 or Lori McLaughlin at (360) 757-1094.



2004 DISTRICT OF THE YEAR AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to a District that has shown tremendous efforts to get conservation on the ground and improve or build their overall program through coordinated planning with other entities. The award will be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, September 30, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the District that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials, and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. On the ground conservation achievements
2. Community involvement
3. Relationship with public, landowners, and agencies
4. District long range program implementation
5. Professional development of supervisors and staff
6. Projects the district has worked on with other cooperative entities and landowners
7. Participation with state and/or national conservation organizations

Questions: Call Craig Nelson, WACD Awards Committee Chair (509) 422-0855 or Lori McLaughlin at (360) 757-1094.



2004 VIM WRIGHT "BUILDING BRIDGES" AWARD

Criteria: The Washington Association of Conservation Districts gives this award to a person who has worked within the arena of conservation to foster understanding, partnerships, and greater conservation through collaboration. This award is given in honor of Vim Wright, long-time member of the Washington Conservation Commission. Vim worked tirelessly to bring traditional agriculture and environmental representatives together to work on conservation projects and develop a better mutual understanding.

Entry Deadline: All entries must be received by **4:00 PM, September 30, 2004.** The WACD Awards Committee will make the selection.

NOMINATION FORM:

Name of
Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of person making nomination: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Directions: Please attach a brief narrative about the nominee that addresses the topics below. Supporting materials such as letters, news clippings, photographs, printed materials, and other helpful items may also be attached.

1. Known presence and respect in their conservation community
2. Development of unique partnerships
3. Diversity of organizations/participants in partnership efforts
4. Improvements in conservation values that resulted from this persons efforts
5. Longevity of the partnership they helped foster

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Appendix C –WACD Award Ranking Forms

Teacher of the Year 2004 Conservation Education Awards

Teacher Name: _____

Primary/Secondary: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under "Content Narrative" and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the teacher shown concern, scope, and originality in incorporating natural resource conservation into his or her curricula?

Scoring

Rate how the teacher answered each of the following questions, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Number	Response	Possible Score	Score
1.	Describe your program for involving students in the betterment of natural resources.	10	
2.	List and describe the areas of study incorporated in your conservation education program.	10	
3.	Describe any assistance received from community organizations or resource specialists from local, state, or federal agencies or organizations.	10	
4.	Explain how the program is being extended to other grades, other areas and to people in the community.	10	
5.	Document how your students have applied their knowledge of natural resource conservation to individuals, groups, schools, and community projects.	10	
TOTAL (maximum score 50)			

2004 WACD Conservation Awards

Applied Conservation Award

Nominee Name: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under “Content Narrative” and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the nominee’s efforts shown development, application, and conveyance of conservation information/practices for the improvement of a major natural resource in Washington State?

Scoring

Rate how the teacher answered each of the following questions, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is based on possible score for each item. Higher scores for higher ranked nominations and lower scores for lower ranked nominations.

Response	Possible Score	Score
Developed effective long-term working relationships with landowners, and/or resource managers (served in affected agricultural community for a minimum of 4 years)	10	
Demonstrated a significant contribution to the improved management of a major resource, which can be expected to result in a permanent increase in protection of that resource	20	
Dedication to conservation and promoting conservation ideals	10	
Broad base of support for nominee’s contribution to the direct application of conservation practices to the land	10	
TOTAL (maximum score 50)		

2004 WACD Conservation Awards Professional Service Award

Nominee Name: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under “Content Narrative” and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the nominee shown creativity, outstanding conservation ethics, and dedication to conservation as a professional?

Scoring

Rate how the nominee’s actions/performance relates to the following items, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Response	Possible Score	Score
Description of the nominee’s dedication to the furthering of conservation ideals.	10	
Dedication to developing/maintaining conservation program(s)/practice(s).	10	
Description of the nominee’s leadership in the conservation community.	10	
Explanation of total impact upon natural resource conservation in this person’s community, Washington, and/or nationwide.	10	
Description of how this nominee’s contribution is special or in some way noteworthy beyond the other nominees for this award.	10	
TOTAL (maximum score 50)		

2004 WACD Conservation Awards

Wayne Reid “Young Tiger” Award

Nominee Name: _____

District: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under “Content Narrative” and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the supervisor shown strength, desire, and breadth in developing themselves and their District?

Scoring

Rate how the nomination addresses each of the following criteria, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Criteria	Possible Score	Score
Demonstrated professional growth as a supervisor	10	
Dedication to developing/maintaining District program(s)	10	
Demonstrated leadership on conservation issues	10	
Work relationship with and effectiveness with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Supervisors • Staff • Agencies, landowners, others (0-10) 	10	
Dedication to conservation and promoting conservation districts	10	
TOTAL (Maximum Score 50)		

2004 WACD Conservation Awards Special Service Award

Nominee Name: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under “Content Narrative” and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the nominee shown creativity, outstanding conservation ethics, and dedication to conservation as an unpaid non-professional?

Scoring

Rate how the nominee's actions/performance relates to the following items, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Response	Possible Score	Score
Description of the nominee's dedication to the furthering of conservation ideals.	10	
Dedication to developing/maintaining conservation program(s)/practice(s).	10	
Description of the nominee's leadership in the conservation community.	10	
Explanation of total impact upon natural resource conservation in this person's community, Washington, and/or nationwide.	10	
Description of how this nominee's contribution is special or in some way noteworthy beyond the other nominees for this award.	10	
TOTAL (maximum score 50)		

2004 WACD Conservation Awards Eugene Scholz Memorial Award

Nominee Name: _____

District: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under “Content Narrative” and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the nominee demonstrated outstanding conservation ethics, dedication to conservation districts, and great conservation vision?

Scoring

Rate how the nominee’s actions/performance relates to the following items, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Response	Possible Score	Score
Description of the nominee’s contribution to district conservation programs or to the statewide conservation movement.	10	
Description of the nominee’s selfless giving of time and energy to promote conservation.	10	
Description of how the nominee’s efforts and/or activities have affected others in a positive and helpful manner.	10	
Description of how this nominee’s selection would be appropriate and timely.	10	
Description of how this nominee’s contribution is special or in some way noteworthy beyond the other nominees for this award.	10	
TOTAL (maximum score 50)		

2004 WACD Conservation Awards

District of the Year Award

District: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under "Content Narrative" and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the District's overall program positively contributed to the overall conservation of natural resources in a significant and long-term manner?

Scoring

Rate how the nomination addresses each of the following criteria, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Criteria	Possible Score	Score
Active coordination of on the ground implementation	10	
Actively engaged with their community	10	
Good relationships with public, landowners, and agencies	10	
Focused pursuit of long range goals with annual implementation	10	
Supervisors and/or staff continue to seek professional development	10	
Assisting other agencies and non-governmental organizations	10	
Supervisors and/or staff participate with state and/or national conservation organizations	10	
TOTAL (Maximum Score 70)		

2004 WACD Vim Wright “Bridging Bridges” Award

Nominee Name: _____

District: _____

Judging Criteria

Judging is based on data provided in response to items under “Content Narrative” and on supporting materials. All materials should support the following question:

How has the nominee demonstrated outstanding partnership development, communication, and commitment to collaborative partnering for conservation?

Scoring

Rate how the nominee’s actions/performance relates to the following items, keeping the above in mind. Scoring is on a scale of 1-10 with 1 = lowest and 10 = highest.

Response	Possible Score	Score
Description of how well known and respected the nominee is in their conservation community.	10	
Description of the nominee’s role in the development/fostering of one or more unique partnerships that led to greater conservation.	10	
Diversity of the organizations and/or individual participants that individual helped bring together.	10	
Description of increased conservation that resulted from the nominees efforts.	10	
Description of the longevity of the partnership that the nominee helped foster.	10	
TOTAL (maximum score 50)		